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Russia In War Paint

Garrison on Turkish Border Has Become a Powerful Army Corps.

Japan at Same Time Bearded With Imperative Demand on Korea.

Quickly Modified by the Russian Minister But Trouble Yet in View.

London, March 30.—The Sebastopol correspondent of the Daily Graphic says: "War alarms fill the naval headquarters here. The whole Euxine squadron is fully equipped for instant service. Troops with all kits are daily arriving from the interior. The garrison will be a powerful army corps."

London, March 31.—The Times has the following from Seoul, capital of Korea: "M. Pavloff, the Russian minister, demanded from Korea the cession of a coaling station to the Russian steamer company at Kinson Point commanding Masampo harbor, and to prevent a counter claim by Japan of the neighboring area he demanded that Korea should not alienate in any form any portion of Kojedo Island to any other power."

GOVERNMENT OF PHILIPPINES.
New Commission Appointed by President Will Supersede Military Authority in Civil Matters.

Washington, March 30.—The cabinet was in session to-day for an hour longer than usual, and the leading topic of discussion was the instructions to be given the new Philippine commission. It is known that it is the purpose of the President to make the civil government for the Philippines represented by the commission superior to the military in all matters pertaining to the government of the islands not strictly military in character. From the time the commission arrives in Manila its authority will be supreme, under the President, in all matters of government.

Secretary Gage was of the opinion that the present rate of taxation might safely be reduced to some extent, and it was with a view to a possible recommendation to congress by the President on the subject that the secretary made his statement.

CENTRAL AMERICAN LIFE.
Emissary of Warring Republic Captured, Robbed and Transported by the Enemy.

New Orleans, March 30.—Charles Leary, former governor of Bluefields, arrived last night, after an exciting experience in Costa Rica. He left Nicaragua a few weeks ago with Minner C. Keith, being deputized by President Zelaya to place some railroad bonds with New York capitalists. Because of the strained relations between the two countries he was arrested in Costa Rica and his money taken from him. He was finally exiled and placed aboard a steamer for New Orleans. He will return to Nicaragua. The incident is likely to create further complications.

COLORED MEN'S WOES.
Jury Aggravates Offense of Restaurant Keeper Who Refused to Serve Meals.

Pittsburg, Pa., March 30.—The jury in the case of Assistant District Attorney Walter E. Billows, colored, against William J. McCarthy, a prominent restaurant keeper, who refused to serve a meal to Billows and his companion, Congressman George W. White, of North Carolina, also colored, returned a verdict to-day in favor of the plaintiff for \$5 cents. Billows asked \$5,000 damages.

MACRUM'S MAIL.
London, March 31.—A despatch to the Daily Chronicle from Ladysmith dated March 31 says: "Much interest is felt in the civil case of former United States consul Macrum against the postmaster at Pietermaritzburg for an alleged breach of contract in handing over his private letters to the military authorities to open. Judgment is expected to-morrow."

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NOTES FROM THE CAPITAL.

Mounted Rifles to Bloemfontein—Labor Ordered for Monument—Beeper and Hospital Service

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, March 30.—The militia department has decided to establish five beeper companies and field hospitals for the militia. At present they will be confined to the Eastern provinces. Ottawa bricklayers and masons have offered to perform gratis the manual work of the proposed volunteers' memorial.

The Second Battalion Mounted Rifles, has been ordered to Bloemfontein. Sir Charles Tupper spoke two hours this afternoon on the budget debate and clearly defined the Conservative policy on preferential trade. He concluded by moving the resolution of which he gave notice some days ago. Mr. Paterson delivered a characteristic stump speech to 17 of his political friends.

Too Hungry To Be Drilled.

Canadian Garrison at Halifax Go On Strike for Their Breakfast.

Several Landed in Guard Room Before Colonel Ordered the Meal.

Halifax, March 30.—A small strike among the Canadian garrison occurred this morning, one hundred men of the Toronto and London companies refusing to go on parade for drill, the reason given being that they had had no breakfast and most of them no supper the night before. Several men were placed in the guard room, which is in charge of the Leinsters. The affair is supposed to have grown out of a misunderstanding. When the Colonel heard of the complaints he ordered that the men be fed as soon as the drill was over.

KITCHENER'S MOVEMENTS.
Left Garrison at Prieska and Arrived Back at Norval's With Three Thousand Men.

London, March 31.—The Bloemfontein correspondent of the Morning Post, telegraphing Thursday, says: "Lord Kitchener and his staff crossed the temporary bridge at Norval's Post last night. He had three thousand men under his command and he left 700 at Prieska. He considers the rebellion crushed, although the fire may smoulder for some time."

CLEMENTS UNOPPOSED.
His Flying Column Rests at Koffyfontein After Hard Day's March.

London, March 31.—A despatch to the Daily Mail from Koffyfontein dated Thursday March 29, says: "Gen. Clements' flying column after a forced march of 30 miles yesterday arrived here unopposed."

IMMIGRATION BRISK.
Four Hundred Settlers a Day Arriving in Manitoba, and Territories Also Doing Well.

Winnipeg, March 30.—(Special)—The stream of immigration from the East continues to pour into Manitoba at the rate of about 400 settlers per day. From the south a like proportion is being sent to the fertile prairies of the Territories.

CLEVELAND HEARD FROM.
The Ex-President Strongly in Favor of the Nicaragua Canal Treaty.

Princeton, N. J., March 30.—Former President Grover Cleveland, when interviewed to-day on public topics, expressed himself in favor of the ratification of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty. The reserve that he had maintained seems to have been abandoned, and he said: "With reference to the canal across Nicaragua I have always thought that whatever was done in its promotion by the government of the United States should be done as a contribution by it to the cause of progress and advancing civilization. It has seemed to me that we had gained that position among the nations of the world that would make it appropriate for us, in accordance with the spirit of our institutions, to make such a contribution. This of course means the absolute neutralization of the Nicaragua construction, and since the Hay-Pauncefote treaty is directly in line with this sentiment, I of course strongly favor its ratification."

NIAGARA POWER COMPANY.
Three Millions Added to Capital of Enterprise Already Involving Twelve Millions.

Albany, N. Y., March 30.—The Niagara Falls Power Co. of Buffalo to-day filed with the secretary of state a certificate showing an increase of capital stock from \$3,500,000 to \$6,500,000. The increase is to consist of 30,000 shares, and up to and including April 1, 1905, these shares are to be issued only at par and in conversion of 6 per cent. coupon gold debentures of the company. The certificate of increase certifies that the amount of capital stock of the company actually paid in is \$3,331,000, and that its debts and liabilities consist of \$9,629,000, first mortgage bonds and other indebtedness of \$36,000.

An Advance By Roberts

Marauding Operations by the Boers Calls British Day's Journey Northward

Enemy Driven After Stiff But Brief Engagement—The Canadians.

Heavy Losses of Cavalry and Transport Horses Delay the March.

London, March 31.—3:50 a. m.—The head of the army of Lord Roberts is now about 21 miles north of Bloemfontein. It occupies a cluster of hills, won from the Boers after a stiff fight, in which the British lost seven officers and one hundred men. The Boers had been using these kopjes as a base for marauding bands that have been beating up the country adjacent to Bloemfontein, driving off cattle and forcing resident Free Staters into the ranks again. The enemy must have been in considerable force, as Lord Roberts sent 8,000 infantry and 3,000 cavalry against them.

Lord Roberts' progress to Pretoria will probably consist of a series of such forward movements, in which Boer positions will be attacked by a portion of the army advancing rapidly with wheel transports, the main army coming up as the railway is repaired. Lord Roberts is stripping the forces in the minor spheres of operation of their wagons and transport animals, in order to hasten the advance. This is understood to be the reason why he recalled Lord Methuen from Barkley West to Kimberley. Roberts had to have Methuen's transport.

The reason why a hot chase was not made after Commandant Olivier is that Lord Roberts did not wish to wear out the cavalry transport. Gen. French lost 3,000 horses in the relief of Kimberley and the pursuit of Gen. Cronje. Lord Roberts lost 3,000 transport cattle at Waterval Drift, and it is estimated that he has lost 3,000 other animals since the forward movement began on February 13.

The advance beyond Bloemfontein is through a bare country, and the supply officers foresee an increasing difficulty in providing for a great army moving along a single line of railway, even when the latter is moving smoothly and with ample rolling stock. The Canadian Mounted Rifles were part of the force that occupied Kenhardt yesterday. The rebellion throughout the northwest districts of Cape Colony is almost suppressed.

The Goli will sail to-day (Saturday) with 500 men for St. Helena to guard Gen. Cronje and 4,000 prisoners. LORD ROBERTS' REPORT.
London, March 30.—(9:20 p. m.)—The war office has issued the following from Lord Roberts to the secretary of war: "Bloemfontein, March 30.—(2:25 p. m.)—Owing to the activity of the enemy on our immediate front, and their hostile action towards the burghers who surrendered under the terms of my proclamation, I found it necessary to drive them from some kopjes they had occupied near the Kamee siding station, a few miles south of Brandfort."

"The operations were successfully carried out by the Seventh (Tucker's) Division, assisted by the First and Third cavalry brigades, under French, and Le Gallais's regiment of mounted infantry. The enemy retreated to Brandfort, and our troops now hold the kopjes."

"Our casualties were killed, Capt. Goings, Scottish Borderers; wounded, Captains Zellar, Luard, Peebles, Curgenven and Edwards, Lieutenants Coulson and French, and about 100 rank and file."

KRUGER SCARING WOMEN.
Warns Them From Bloemfontein While He Bombarads and Destroys the City.

London, March 31.—The Bloemfontein correspondent of the Daily Chronicle, telegraphing Thursday, March 29, says: "President Kruger's latest proclamation warns the women and children to leave Bloemfontein within five days, as he intends to bombard and destroy the city and to shoot the burghers whom he captures there."

"Vigorous measures have been taken by the British to harass marauding bands of Transvaalers. The latter are resorting to guerrilla methods, chiefly against Free Staters who refuse to join Kruger."

PLEA FOR THE REBELS.
Gen. Buller Alleged to Favor the Leniency Advocated in Winston Churchill's Cables.

London, March 31.—Mr. Winston Churchill, in a long despatch from Durban, expresses regret that the Morning Post does not support his views regarding the treatment of rebels. He says he desires to give a full explanation of his views hereafter, but will not again allude to the subject in the columns of the Morning Post. He proceeds, however, to say that Sir Redvers Buller and most of the officers of distinction share his views. He protests against "the spirit of vengeance, which can only delay the attainment of peace."

MURDERED FOR HIS MONEY.
Celina, Ohio, March 30.—A body found in Lake Mevor a week ago has been identified as John Diley, of Beaverdam, a retired and wealthy lumberman. He always carried a large sum of money for which it is believed he was murdered.

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The Sailors At Graspan.

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All Hands Lay Down Whenever Enemy's Guns Flashed and Casualties Few.

London, March 30.—The Gazette this evening contains despatches from Rear-Admiral Harris, commanding the British South African squadron, reporting the proceedings of the naval brigades at Belmont, Graspan and Colenso. They throw little new light on the battles, but show that throughout the courage and determination of the naval men were beyond praise, and that their assistance to the military authorities was invaluable.

Lieut. Archibald Deas of the third-class cruiser Philomel, in the report of his proceedings with the four naval guns at Graspan, where he was detailed to attack two strong kopjes on either side of the railroad, relates how, after two hours' shelling he received orders to retire. He continues: "The Royal Artillery on the right had already moved off when I got the order, and the Boers having got our range accurately were pouring in on us such an effective shrapnel fire that I judged it to be impossible to carry out the order without leaving the guns or suffering very heavy losses. I therefore continued to fire at the Boer guns, with such effect as to put them out of action, first one and then another."

For 15 to 20 minutes at a time their shells burst with the utmost accuracy. Our guns and ammunition trolley were scattered all over with shrapnel balls, but owing to my system of making all hands lie down when the Boer guns flashed, we only suffered when after an hour and a half the Boers abandoned their positions."

Admiral Harris expresses great pride in the conspicuous gallantry of both the sailors and the marines.

MAKING RELIEF.

Strong Column Reported to Have Several Days Ago Passed Barkley West.

Pretoria, March 14.—A despatch from Fourteen Streams, north of Warrenton, Cape Colony, says the Boers on March 26 opened a bombardment on the British camp there, and that the British replied feebly and evacuated the place during the night.

London, March 30.—It is suggested that the apparent inactivity of the British at Warrenton is merely designed to impress the Boers with the notion that they are checking the Mafeking relief column, which in reality is advancing on a western tour. Color is lent to this view by the announcement that a column of 3,000 mounted troops, commanded by Col. Drummond and accompanied by three batteries, a pontoon train and several wagons of ammunition passed Barkley West on March 26 on an extensive march, the objective of which is a strict secret.

In the House of Commons to-day the parliamentary secretary of the war office, Mr. George Wyndham, was asked whether an expedition was on its way to the relief of Mafeking. He replied that the government was precluded, on military grounds, from giving any indications of Lord Roberts' plans.

MONEY FOR THE MAINE.

Lord Mayor Sends Handsome Sum Out of the Contributions by Americans.

London, March 30.—The executive committee of the American hospital ship Maine has received the following letter from the Lord Mayor of London, Mr. A. J. Newton:

"I enclose you a check for £32,000 sterling from the Transvaal war fund to be applied to the beneficent work the American hospital ship Maine is doing for our sick and wounded troops. This check represents some of the contributions Americans have made to the fund and therefore does not infringe on the graceful determination of your committee to accept only American money for the humanitarian purposes of the Maine."

FIRE CHIEF'S MISTAKE.

Handled Money on Behalf of Mayoralty Candidate in Toronto Election.

Toronto, March 30.—Fire chief Thomson admitted to-day at the civic investigation before the county judge that he had received money from a friend of ex-Mayor Shaw during the mayoral contest between Shaw and Macdonald in 1898, and had paid it out to some of Shaw's election workers. He had, however, taken no part in the election of January last and it was in connection with charges of election work on that occasion that the investigation originated.

REBELS TO LOSE PROPERTY.

Such the Punishment Suggested at Mass Meeting of Loyalists Near Capetown.

Capetown, March 29, (Thursday)—At a mass meeting of 2,000 loyalists held to-day at Park, 18 miles northeast of Capetown, a resolution was unanimously adopted in favor of supporting the principle of annexing the property as an exemplary punishment in the case of rebels. This action has caused great gratification here as exhibiting the loyalty of the district.

STORES FOR RHODESIA.

London, March 31.—The Madrid correspondent of the Daily Mail says: "From Lisbon I hear that with the full authorization of Portugal, stores for the British forces in Rhodesia have been passed over the Beira until railway."

MR. MARTIN'S HARD ROW.

The Premier Finds All Sorts and Conditions of Men United Against Him.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, March 30.—During the last hour of Mr. Martin's speech in New Westminster last night the interruptions were numerous. George Kennedy, Alex. Henderson, R. McBride, Arthur Malins and W. T. Cooksley were constantly on their feet, shaking threatening forefingers at the Premier. Mr. Kennedy accused him of being a wrecker, to which Mr. Martin answered that he had been in two governments; when they stuck to him these governments prospered; when they repudiated him they fell. "I was justified in wrecking the late government," he continued.

Mr. Kennedy—"Did you ever hear of the man who pulled down the barn to kill the pig?" Mr. Martin—"Hear Kennedy abusing me and sticking up for Cotton, who gave away \$100,000,000 worth of coal lands belonging to the province, and handed over a crown grant for lands belonging to the province, worth millions, to Robins. Cotton cannot do wrong. As for Martin, he's bad—soak it to him! Here is Henderson and Kennedy—what a combination—taking arms and abusing Mr. tin. Here's Dick McBride and Henderson seated side by side, railing at Martin!"

SUICIDE AT NIAGARA.

Desperate Man Uses a Revolver Before Committing Himself to the Torrent.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., March 30.—A sensational suicide occurred this morning off Goat Island, near the Spring. A man walked out as far as he could, shot himself six times in the head, pitched forward into the water and swept between Lur and Goat Islands, going over the falls at the "Cave of the Winds." From papers and letters left behind he is thought to be Hypolite Schneider, of Pittsburgh.

Letters in French were found addressed to Madame Lillian Russell, Kinfanta Dahlia, and the Westinghouse Co. of Pittsburgh. In one letter he blames Lillian R. Russell for his death, and gives her all his property. The letters were rambling, and indicate that the man was insane. Naturalized papers were found on him dated March 9th, 1882, at Pittsburgh.

Pittsburg, March 30.—Hypolite Schneider was a machinist and until three weeks ago had worked for the Westinghouse Electric Co. at Pittsburgh. Then he lost his position and since has been low spirited. Last week the house occupied by his family was given up and Mrs. Schneider and her daughter went to live in Allegheny. Schneider left Pittsburgh saying he was going to look for work. Nothing had been heard from him since.

New York, March 30.—It is learned that Schneider had for some time annoyed Miss Russell with persistent letters. These seemed to arrive some weeks ago. Miss Russell says she has never seen the man, though he has made many attempts to force himself into her presence.

PARALLELING RAILWAYS.

Ottawa, March 30.—At to-day's meeting of the railway committee of the House of Commons there was a fight on between the Canadian Pacific and Mackenzie & Mann. The C. P. R. were applying for an extension of old charter paralleling Mackenzie & Mann's Dunlop system of railways in Manitoba. Hon. A. G. Blair did not think it would be right for the C. P. R. to get this privilege now. It would destroy the bonds of the company which had built. All the Mackenzie members took this view. Nothing was done when the committee adjourned.

NO MONEY FOR BRITISH.

Washington, March 30.—The house devoted the day to war claims. The bill to reimburse the British cable company for expenses incurred in repairing the Manila cable cut by Admiral Dewey, which was under consideration several weeks ago, was consigned to oblivion.

THE SLIPPERY KWONG.

London, March 31.—The Hongkong Kwong Yu Hui, the Chinese reformer who was recently abducted from Hongkong and taken to Canton has escaped from his abductors and is now safe at Macao.

EXPLODED TOO SOON.

St John, March 30.—A considerable fire occurred in the hardware establishment of G. F. Beverley, started by an explosion of fireworks played in a window to be an readiness for the celebration of the relief of Mafeking.

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PROMENADE CONCERT.

Programme For This Evening's Entertainment at the Drill Hall.

The promenade concert to be given by the Fifth Regiment and at the drill hall this evening promises to be a very enjoyable event. The band will be assisted by Major Ross Monro, Mr. S. C. Carroll, Mr. Percy Richardson, Mr. H. Hill, and Gymnasium Instructor H. H. M. S. Lander. The instrumental numbers have been selected to suit all tastes and include the latest popular song success, "Toll Her I'm a Soldier and Not Afraid to Die." Following is the complete programme:

1. Overture—"Crown Diamonds" ... Aubler
2. Descriptive Piece—"The Dying Poet" ... Gottschalk
3. Vocal Solo—"The Vagabond" ... McEneaney
4. Character Song—"An American Stay-at-Home Serenade" ... Hoyt
5. Popular Selection—"A Visit to the Lighthouse" ... Rowman
6. Vocal Solo—Selected
7. Exhibition of Sword Play and Indian Club Swinging. Messrs. Thompson and Hill (H. M. S. Lander).
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9. Finale—"Two Steps—"The Schoolmarm"—"God Save the Queen."

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Arbitration Fails Again

Delagoo Bay Award Likely to Add to the Original Difficulty.

So Unsatisfactory That It May Be Refused by the Governments Interested.

Washington, March 30.—The dissatisfaction expressed in England at the findings of the Delagoo Bay arbitration is sharply reflected in Washington, and there are no lack of intimations that the decision is by no means the end of the celebrated case.

The finding as it is represented to the government has simply resulted in a deadlock, which is a general world plunge England and the United States into protracted litigation in the endeavor to satisfy the just claims of the claimants to the money out of a sum totally inadequate for the purpose. It has been pointed out that the arbitration award has paved the way for a refusal of the principals to accept the verdict, through their refusal to permit a re-assessment of the damages sustained, and there are believed to be other irregularities representing the claimants to accept the arbitration. It is suggested, however, that the result of such action would be to still further prolong the decision of the time-consuming case, as recourse must then be had to another tribunal. It is not yet determined what shall be done.

Berlin, March 30.—The German papers, commenting on the Berne award, criticize the attitude of the British press. The Berliner Tageblatt admits that England has sufficient occasion to be dissatisfied, but condemns the London papers for saying that the decision is a blow to the principle of arbitration. The Neueste Nachrichten comments in a similar strain.

The Freisinnige Zeitung says: "Payment will cause Portugal great difficulty but it will in no way necessitate a mortgage or sale of the Delagoo railway to Great Britain."

Lisbon, March 30.—In the chamber of deputies to-day the minister of foreign affairs, Senor Vieira Beirao, announced that the government would soon pay the amount awarded by the Berne tribunal in the Delagoo Bay railway arbitration without having recourse to a loan.

RING EVENTS

New York, March 30.—Joe Walcott was given the decision over Andy Walsh in the 20th round.

Hartford, Conn., March 30.—Ruslin knocked Kenny out in the 6th round.

NO SALMON TRAPS.

Ottawa, March 30.—Sir Louis Davies has had the question of the use of salmon traps for fishing before him for some time, and a decision has now been reached refusing to sanction their use in Canadian waters.

THEATRE BURNED.

Chicago, March 30.—The Columbia theatre was destroyed by fire this afternoon entailing a total loss of \$100,000.

SESSION ENDED.

Halifax, March 30.—The local legislature was this afternoon prorogued.

Go to drill hall concert to-night.

PERSONAL.

Rev. J. P. Hicks, Wesleyan chaplain at Esquimaut, returned last evening from the mainland.

A. C. Wells, of Chilliwack, is in the city, a guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. Spencer.

Mrs. T. L. Briggs, of West Westminster, is visiting friends in Victoria.

T. W. Patterson, R. Jamieson and R. H. Jamieson were among the Victorians returning from the mainland last evening.

Gordon Hunter and wife returned from Vancouver yesterday.

Ald. Cameron and wife were passengers last evening from Vancouver.

George Williams, wife and daughter, of Wellington, are at the Oriental.

A. Pinbury, of Cowichan, is a guest at the Oriental.

Father Nikolay, administrator of the Bishopric of Vancouver Island, leaves shortly for Portland.

J. H. B. Rickaby, of the R. P. Ritchie Company Ltd., returned from the Sound yesterday.

Capt. Gatter came over from the Sound yesterday.

James Dunsmyr and wife returned yesterday from California.

T. Corry, of the San Francisco Wave, is a guest at the Victoria.

HOSPITAL HENS.

To the Editor of the Colonist.

Sir: At the meeting of the Jubilee hospital directors, as reported in the Colonist of yesterday, the grounds committee appear to be forgetting the ratepayers. Fenced off and quite distinct from the hospital grounds are some fifty or more building lots which were probably found a ready sale. These lots the grounds committee have much pleasure in saying have been cleared of stones and sown with wheat, which they trust will at maturity be kept for "feeding the chickens."

Mr. Alexander Wilson stated later on that there was a scarcity of funds for the hospital.

VERB, SAP.

In some of the Swiss valleys the inhabitants are all afflicted with gutta serena, "the neck." Instead of regarding this as a deformity they seem to think it a natural feature of physical development, and tourists passing through the valleys are sometimes jeered by the glib inhabitants, because they are without this offensive swelling.

This a form of disease may become so common that it is regarded as a natural and necessary condition of life. It is so, to large extent, with what are called diseases of women. Every woman suffers more or less from irregularity, ulceration, debilitating drains, or female weakness, and this suffering is so common and so universal that it is regarded as a natural condition of life. It is so, to large extent, with what are called diseases of women. Every woman suffers more or less from irregularity, ulceration, debilitating drains, or female weakness, and this suffering is so common and so universal that it is regarded as a natural condition of life. It is so, to large extent, with what are called diseases of women. Every woman suffers more or less from irregularity, ulceration, debilitating drains, or female weakness, and this suffering is so common and so universal that it is regarded as a natural condition of life. It is so, to large extent, with what are called diseases of women. 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Finance and Commerce

THE LONDON MARKETS.

London, March 30.—The Delagoa Bay Railway award has a disastrous effect on Delagoa railway stocks on the stock exchange to-day. The shares, which were quoted yesterday evening at 7½, are now at 1. First Debentures, which yesterday evening were at 132, are now at 90, and seconds, which were quoted yesterday at 115, are now at between 50 and 60.

WEEKLY TRADE REVIEW.

New York, March 30.—Dun's review of trade to-morrow will say: "Conditions continue to improve and the general average of Canadian business for the first quarter of 1900 indicates improvement over last year. Dun's reports show activity in dry goods, millinery, hardware and groceries, and lobster canneries are making preparations for a season's business. Mining industries are doing well in Nova Scotia, with the coal output large in the eastern section, and many iron smelting works in course of erection, although Halifax reports depression in the fishing industry and lumbering unfavorably affected by weather, but the general prospects are bright, and spring trade is opening early. Dry goods and groceries are active at Toronto, but hardware and metals are quiet, while business in March was well ahead of last year's. Hamilton reports activity in most retail lines and jobbers are active with collections of late. Spring business is opening well in Quebec, and shoe manufacturers are busy. The break up of snow roads affects trade and collections in the vicinity of Montreal, but business is still up to the average of the season. Domestic cotton shows much strength and call money is steady at 5 per cent. Wholesale trade shows improvement at Winnipeg, but collections continue unsatisfactory. Wholesale business in groceries and provisions is good at Vancouver, but the hardware and building trade is quiet and retail dealers are small except in dry goods and groceries. Victoria reports conditions quiet except for large cannery shipments."

Bradstreet's to-morrow will say: "Montreal reports a fair trade and that the opening of navigation is looked forward to with favoring a expansion of business. Toronto notes some improvement in wholesale trade value in products formerly held with cotton goods further advanced and hog products higher. There is a slight improvement in trade in the Maritime Provinces, but the absence of snow will necessitate much lumber being left in the woods. Halifax reports the sailing season opening well. General business is rather depressed in British Columbia, where collections are slow, but coal and lumber shipments continue heavy."

"Business failures for the week number 25, as against 23 last week, 38 in this week a year ago, 39 in 1898 and 38 in 1897."

STOCKS IN NEW YORK.

New York, March 30.—The railroad stocks retired into the background of the stock market to-day and gave place to the industrials and specialties. Sugar almost outdid its traditional reputation for uncertainty by retreating in the course of yesterday and mounting well above yesterday's high point. There was a momentary decline of less than a point at the opening and then a quick rally and the stock never got back to last night's closing level. Twice during the late decline it rose to a price 15 points above the low level in the morning and its net gain is 11½. Transactions in the stock were enormous and the buying without a doubt came very largely from the outstanding short interests. The local traction stocks furnished another surprise in the market and the Sugar developed aggressive strength in the face of bad news. The figures given out from Albany last night of the valuation placed upon the franchises of the new traction companies were as high as the most extravagant estimates in Wall Street. With the exception of a preliminary drive which carried the stocks down from 1½ to 4 points, the whole group was eagerly bought all day, rising well above last night's figures and not falling far below that level again. People's Gas and a number of the iron and steel stocks by rising sharply completed the demonstration of strength in the industrial group. The demand for the railways seemed to have quieted down for the time being with the exception of a stock here and there in the list which showed a good advance. Closing quotations:

Am. Tob.	109½
Am. Sugar	110
Anacosta	56½
A. T. & S. F. all paid	29
A. S. & W.	26½
B. & O.	82
B. R. T.	72
C. P.	57½
Can. Sou.	54
C. & O.	32½
C. B. & Q.	121½
Chicago Gas	106
C. R. I. & P.	112½
C. M. & St. P.	124
Cont. Tob.	72
Cons. Gas, N. Y.	180
Colo. Fuel & Iron	201
C. C. & St. L.	99½
E. I. Steel	54½
Gen. Elec.	128½
J. C.	116
I. & N.	89½
Man. Elev.	95½
Mo. Pac.	50
N. P. com. new	60½
N. Y. C. & H.	137½
N. Y. L. E. & W. 1st pd.	42
N. Y. O. & W.	25½
Pressed Steel com.	53½
P. & R. all paid	198½
Son. Ry. com.	157½
Son. Pac.	41½
Tenn. Coal & Iron	97½
T. S. Leather	137½
T. S. Rubber com.	32
U. P. com.	58½
Wabash pd.	22½
C. P. R. in London xl.	100
Com. Cable in Montreal xl.	171½/172½

PRODUCE AT CHICAGO.

Chicago, March 30.—Wheat closed—March 63½¢, May 67½¢, July 65½¢, Sept. 63½¢, Corn—March 37½¢, May 38½¢, July 39½¢, Sept. 39½¢, Oats—May 24½¢, July 24½¢.

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ISLAND RAILWAY.

What the Proposed Road Would Do for the Island of Vancouver.

In introducing Mr. J. W. Laing to the audience to whom he lectured in the city hall on Thursday evening on Vancouver Island, Mayor Hayward said it was a pleasing duty to introduce a gentleman who with a party of energetic and scientific companions traversed the central and northern portions of this lovely island, and amongst other things secured interesting views of places and persons which probably otherwise we should never have had the opportunity of seeing. It was a safe prophecy to make that the lecture would be interesting and profitable.

Putting aside the more or less mythical account of the discovery of Vancouver Island by the early Spanish navigators, it was now only a little more than 100 years since Captains Vancouver and Cook explored its shore line and described the island itself as full of natural beauties. Today the greater portion of the island was as little known as the present site of Victoria was when Capt. Vancouver gathered wild flowers on Beacon Hill. The principal reason for this was the want of easy communication.

How was it that our forefathers fifty or one hundred years ago, certainly as robust and enterprising and with the same desire to increase as ourselves, did not reach out for the wealth of the Far West that was ready to their hand? They simply could not get there. Life was too short to try it. Some present could remember when it took a year to send or receive a letter or travel between Europe and Victoria. Most can remember the days preceding the advent of the C. P. R. It was then confidently predicted by the majority that this line would never pay, and it was a common expression that enough would not be realized to pay for axle grease. To-day, after the expenditure of millions of money, accomplishing feats of engineering hitherto unknown, its stock was at par, paying satisfactory dividends. It has brought population, commerce and prosperity with it and had been a most important factor in the development of the resources. What the C. P. R. had done for the great interior, he believed would be sure to follow the extension of the island road to the north. There was everything in the way of natural resources to justify this belief, and he confidently expected that history would repeat itself that what easy and frequent communication had done on the Mainland and elsewhere it would do for the island, and that if we convinced the powers that be, and he hoped the people would, that it was in their interests as well as ours to open up this island and communication with the riches of the far north, an era of prosperity would dawn upon us to which we have long been strangers. His Worship then formally introduced Mr. J. W. Laing to the large audience.

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From the Youth's Companion.

On the 14th of last November, the first statue erected in London to Oliver Cromwell was unveiled, without formal ceremonies; but on that evening, Lord Rosebery delivered an address on the Protector, at a meeting held to celebrate the 300th anniversary of his birth, considering what manner of man he really was, the orator dwelt upon the accusation that he must have been a "psalm-singing old humbug," whose prayers were those of a hypocrite. Then he said:

"Let me tell you a little story, which is of itself, but is curious from the directness with which it comes. It was told me by a Bishop, and he was told it by a gentleman who had it from a doctor; that makes three people. The doctor heard it from Sir Charles Shinghy, of his day, who had it from a nurse on his knees, with the open Bible before him wrestling in prayer, as he must have been wrestling for two hours."

"Was there any effect to be made by his looking himself in that ruined chamber and imploring the blessing of the God of battles on the contest of the following day? I see nothing to be gained."

"The day before the battle of Marston Moor, Cromwell arrived from Knaresborough, and while there disappeared from among his troops. Search was made for him for two hours, and he could not be found; this nurse, who was then a girl, remembered an unused room at the top of the tower. It was the only possible place where Cromwell could be, and she peeped through the keyhole of the door. There was the Protector on his knees, with the open Bible before him wrestling in prayer, as he must have been wrestling for two hours."

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THE DEAD SEA.

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"I visited the Dead Sea in the spring of 1868," said Mr. Dexter. "I had spent the winter at Cairo with my wife, and went from there to Joppa and Jerusalem, and thence to the Dead Sea. We had a party with dragomen, tents, baggage and so on. We first visited the famous Russian convent at Masbia. This convent is several hundred years old and extremely interesting. The Dead Sea is 2,900 feet below the ocean level. It is my opinion that it is of volcanic formation. I saw much bituminous coal around the shore of the sea. I

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THE WAR.

Brantford, south of which our troops engaged the Boers yesterday, is 30 miles north of Bloemfontein, and as Lord Roberts describes this as "in our immediate front," it is evident that he is gradually extending his position northward. The enemy may make a stand at Brantford, but we hardly think it probable, unless it is true, as reported, that President Kruger has taken command of the Boer forces and decided to march south and give battle. This would suit Roberts better than anything else.

It is announced that the second Canadian contingent has been ordered to join Lord Roberts at Bloemfontein. They will thus take part in the decisive movements of the war. They will have a hearty welcome from our boys who have covered themselves with glory at the front.

A column, supposed to be intended for the relief of Mafeking, passed through Barkley West on the 26th instant. This town is about 20 miles out of Kimberley on the road to Mafeking. Allowing 20 miles a day for this column, which consists of 3,000 mounted troops, three batteries of artillery, a pontoon train and several ammunition wagons, it ought to reach Mafeking on Sunday or Monday. The fact that a pontoon train has been taken along shows that the journey contemplates the crossing of streams, and of these there are many on the way to Mafeking.

OUR SUPPLEMENT.

A four-page supplement is presented with this issue of the Colonist and the intention is to continue its issue regularly, the day of publication to be Saturday. We have chosen Saturday in preference to Sunday, because we hope that the additional advertising to be secured by the increased demand for the paper will be the more beneficial to our patrons than it would be on Sunday morning. Sunday is the great day for morning supplements all over the continent where Sunday papers are printed. We propose to make an exception in the case of the Colonist. The effort will be made to present in these supplements a variety of interesting and instructive matter. We think the contents of today's issue will compare favorably with those of any supplement issued in America. Miss N. de B. Lugin contributes a tale original in conception and beautifully written. Mr. Thomas L. Graham gives a graphic instalment of a visit to Kootenay. There is a concise and admirably written sketch of the William Head quarantine station, with illustrations from photographs by a member of the Colonist staff. Mr. Laing's lecture on Vancouver Island is epitomized, with some illustrations. La Jolie's wonderful story of his visit to the North Pole is reproduced from the New York Herald, and there is a collection of miscellaneous reading that cannot fail to instruct and interest readers. The same high standard of excellence will be maintained in all future supplements, with probably a little greater variety.

STILL INCOMPLETE.

The executive council is still incomplete. Mr. Martin contends that he is looking for strong men, and hence the delay in filling it up. It ought not to be a task of great difficulty to find men as strong as Messrs. Yates, Curtis and Beebe. The expression "strong" when applied to public men, is understood in two ways. One of them is that the person so described is possessed of unusual ability; the other is that he has a hold upon the people in some way. It is always an ungracious task to speak of the mental powers of anyone, so we will leave the first definition of "strong" untouched. But the other significance of the word may be properly discussed in connection with these gentlemen. Surely it will not be seriously claimed that any of them appeals either to the public imagination or confidence. They are almost unknown. It is literally true that when Mr. Beebe's name was mentioned as that of the new provincial secretary, the statement was regarded as a joke, because no one appeared to know who he was. This is not to Mr. Beebe's discredit, but only establishes that he has hitherto lived in the retirement of a rural life. By no possible effort of the

imagination can he be regarded as a strong man, in the political sense of the term. Mr. Yates was a little better known because he was defeated in North Victoria at the last election and is a member of the Victoria city council, but if he has any political strength at home, not to say in other parts of the province, the fact has hitherto been unsuspected. The surprise which greeted the announcement of Mr. Curtis' appointment affords the best proof that, whatever else he may be, he was not generally regarded as a political leader. Now gentlemen of equal political strength with these three are as "plenty as blackberries." If they are a sample of the kind of "strong" men whose cooperation Mr. Martin desires, he ought to be able to get a regiment of them together on twenty-four hours' notice. Hence we think there must be some other reason why no finance minister or president of the council has been secured.

VANCOUVER ISLAND.

So much interest is taken in Vancouver Island at present that we reproduce a portion of Mr. J. W. Laing's lecture in which he tells of an expedition across the central part of it. Mr. Laing's party struck in from the coast to the very heart of the mountains and remained among them, except for a short visit to tide water on the West Coast. The value of the lecture consists in the fact that it demonstrates that we have an unexplored wonderland almost at our very doors. The part of the island traversed by this party is only a small portion of the whole, but when a railway has been constructed to the northern end it will be a favorite resort of tourists and sportsmen, and thus be a source of prosperity. There is no more profitable travel than that of such people, and the time is not far distant when these marvelous scenes and rare hunting and fishing grounds described by Mr. Laing, will every summer be visited by thousands of people of leisure and when fine country hotels will dot what is now a rugged and inhospitable wilderness. Here also is a region where the prospector has yet to find his way. What wealth of mineral it contains cannot be estimated.

It is right to point out that both to the east and west of the central mountain chain, along which Mr. Laing took his difficult way, there are large areas of excellent land ready for settlement. The western areas are smaller and less numerous than those on the eastern side, but they will play no inconsiderable part in the future of the island. Indeed this island possesses a variety of features that can hardly be equalled and certainly cannot be excelled in any area of similar size. Here are some of them:

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Surely an island of nearly 17,000 square miles, that is, including the smaller islands adjacent to it, of which this can truly be claimed, is well worth developing. As we stated the other day, if the discovery of such a land could be announced there would be a rush to it from all parts of the world. Vancouver Island has been a region of almost unsuspected potentialities, and hence the slowness of its progress hitherto. But its turn is coming. Once a railway extends from one end of it to the other, the island will awaken to new life. Prospectors will find their way into districts now inaccessible; investors will be able to follow them and judge of the value of their discoveries; settlers will take up the fertile valleys; where under our beneficent climate vegetation is excessively prolific; factories will be set up to utilize our timber; new towns will spring up to take advantage of the geographical situation as respects commerce; mining will grow apace, and an era of prosperity will be inaugurated of which Victoria will feel the benefit to an incalculable degree; and contributing in no small degree to this will be the stream of tourist travel to the region described by Mr. Laing, which is unsurpassed for grandeur, beauty and variety of scenic and other attractions by any of the great wonderlands, the fame of which adds so much to the business of the transcontinental railways.

CANADIAN ORATORY.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier is certainly a master of language and oratorical skill. The following extract from his speech on Mr. Bourassa's motion is as fine a specimen of oratory as we have had the pleasure of reading in a long time. It is not surprising that both sides of the house applauded him to the echo: My honorable friend dreads the consequence of our sending out a military contingent to South Africa. Let me tell him from the bottom of my heart that it is full of the hopes I entertain of the beneficial results that will accrue from that action. When our young volunteers sailed from our shores to join the British army in South Africa, great

were our expectations that they would display on those distant battlefields the same courage which had been displayed by their fathers fighting against one another in the last century.

In many breasts there was a fugitive sense of uneasiness at the thought that the first facing of musketry by raw recruits is always a severe trial. But when the telegraph brought us the news that such was the good impression made by our volunteers that the commander-in-chief had placed them in the post of honor, in the first rank, to share the dangers with that famous corps, the Gordon Highlanders; when we had heard that they had justified fully the confidence placed in them, that they had charged like veterans, that their conduct was heroic and had won for them the unstinted admiration of their comrades who had faced death on the hundred battlefields in all parts of the world, was there a man whose bosom did not swell with pride, that noblest of all pride, that pride of true patriotism, the pride of the consciousness of our rising strength, the pride of the consciousness that that day it had been revealed to the world that a new power had been born in the West?

Not is that all. The work of union and harmony between the chief races of this country is not yet complete. We know by the unfortunate occurrences that took place only last week that there is much to do in that way. But there is no bond of union so strong as that created by common dangers shared in common. To-day there are men in South Africa representing the two branches of the Canadian family, fighting side by side for the honor and the fame of Canada.

Already some of them have fallen, giving to their country the last full measure of devotion. Their remains have been laid in the same grave, and in that way they will remain until the end of time in that last fraternal embrace. Can we not hope I ask my honorable friend, that in that grave shall be buried the last vestiges of our former antagonism?

The Pall Mall Gazette says that this "burns with a sustained passion and eloquence which no public man in Great Britain could essay in these self-conscious days." The gift of oratory is a wonderful thing, and there is great pleasure in knowing that at a time when it is decaying in Europe it stands out eminent in Canada. Oratory and national virility go hand in hand.

We print Mr. Dickie's election card to the electors of Cowichan. We confess to a very hearty appreciation of this mainly old-fashioned way of coming before the people without waiting for a convention or anything of that kind.

Col. W. J. Bryan is to visit Puget Sound early next week and will quite eclipse all records in the speaking line. Col. Bryan has, we believe, the distinction of being the only person in the history of the United States, who for four years has had no other business than that of presidential candidate.

Lord Methuen seems to be having a great deal of trouble with his officers. He sent Col. Gough, of the 9th Lancers, home for refusing to charge an impregnable position when the horses were completely jaded, and he ordered Col. Arthur Paget to go home for refusing to lead the Scots Guards in a movement that could not be executed. In reply to the order Col. Paget said he would charge the position alone, but could not order his men to do so. He declined to go home and appeared to Gen. Buller, then chief in command, with the result that he resumed with his regiment.

NEWSPAPER MEN'S RIGHTS.

To the Editor of the Vancouver World:

I had not intended to pay the slightest attention to the observations in regard to myself, made by Mr. Joseph Martin at his Victoria meeting. He felt it necessary to do something to break the force of the Colonist's arraignment of his platform and his constitutional position as Premier, and chose the method which commended itself to his judgment, and was within his mental calibre. I have no fault to find with him, except that he took the occasion of his first appearance in public to violate our understanding that there would be no resort to personalities in the campaign. But when you, sir, say that "the rating received by Mr. Lugin was well deserved," I feel that as a newspaper man I am called upon to ask you what you mean.

Let it be supposed that what Mr. Martin said was true, and that I had entertained the hope that the Lieutenant-Governor would call upon me to form a government. I may say that such an idea did not enter my mind, although I admit that I took the liberty of suggesting to His Honor that he was acting unwisely in his own interest and that of the province in retaining Mr. Martin. Is there anything in the fact that, like yourself, I am a newspaper man, which renders me deserving of a rating for cherishing such an ambition, if I did cherish it? I would like your answer to this question, for it would be of some value to know at what rate you esteem the profession to which we both belong. I had an honorable and not unsuccessful career at the bar. I am to-day a barrister in good standing in the province of New Brunswick, and yet let me say to you that of the two professions, law and journalism, I regard the latter as infinitely the more responsible and at the same time as honorable as the other. Do you share these views or do you not? If you do, why do you regard it as an act of presumption that a newspaper man should aspire to any position whatever?

I ask these questions, not in my own defence, for I am willing now as I ever have been to let my life in the community speak for itself. I ask them in the interest of the profession of journalism, whose best traditions I hope to be able to maintain. My family have been identified with Canadian journalism since the first decade of the century. There has not been a great public movement in British North America in nearly a hundred years in which they did not take part to the best of their ability with the pen. The traditions of journalism which I have inherited are those of which such newspaper men as George Brown and Joseph Howe are the most conspicuous examples. I have no hope of ever accomplishing such work as has made the name of these great tribunes of the people ever memorable in the annals of Canada, but I do hope always to be able to maintain, as far as my humble abilities will permit, the right of free and fearless discussion of all public questions, either in the press or on the platform, no matter what may be the cost, for doing so, or what newspaper may think I deserve to be rated for it.

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"The Duke was a strong churchman, and in his simple way very religious, but, as a friend of His Royal Highness used to say, 'his religion sometimes took rather an unconventional form.' He would frequently make audible remarks when the service was in progress. On one occasion after the officiating clergyman had repeated the usual exhortation, 'Let us pray,' the Duke was heard to reply, 'By all means. Another time he started those near him by saying 'Shawms, shawms! What are they?' During a very dry summer the vicar had the prayer for rain; at the close the Duke joined fervently in the 'amen,' adding in exactly the same tone of voice, 'but we shan't get it till the wind changes.' One Sunday, during the reading of the offertory sentences, when the words, 'Behold, the half of my goods I give to the poor,' were read, His Royal Highness astonished his fellow worshippers by exclaiming, 'No, no, I can't do that; a half is too much for any man, but I have no objection to a tenth.' Again, on hearing the text, 'For we brought nothing into the world, neither may we carry anything out,' he ejaculated, 'True, true—too many calls upon us for that.' The Duke at times expressed himself in a somewhat forthright manner. After hearing an eloquent preacher at the Temple church, he observed to his friend, Sir Frederick Thesiger, as they were walking up the Strand together, 'That was a d—d good sermon, a criticism which in no way implied irreverence, much less profanity, but one that might have astonished a less intimate friend than the late Lord Chancellor.'

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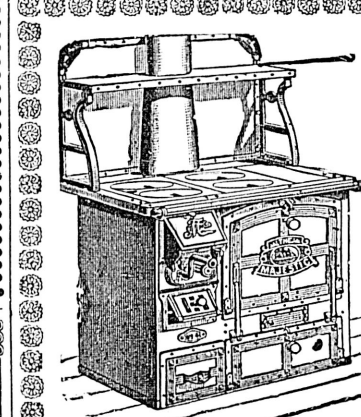
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VICTORIA TIDES.

By Mr. Napier Denison.

The zero of the accompanying scale corresponds to 14 feet of water in the channel off Shoal Point, and 18.6 feet above the sill of the Esquimalt dry dock.

Saturday, Mar. 31.		Sunday, April 1.	
Time.	Height above zero.	Time.	Height above zero.
2:50 a.m.	8.3 feet.	3:00 a.m.	8.4 feet.
9:20 a.m.	3.0 feet.	9:50 a.m.	2.4 feet.
4:00 p.m.	8.6 feet.	4:30 p.m.	8.6 feet.
9:30 p.m.	5.6 feet.	9:50 p.m.	6.4 feet.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Blue Ribbon Tea is simply delicious. Majestic Ranges at Cheapside. Carpenters' tools at Cheapside.

Tea and Dinner Sets at Cheapside. Smoke "Nugget Cigar." Meiss & Co. Double trading stamps at the Sterling to-day.

Drink "Hondt," purest and best of Ceylon teas.

For a nice 25-cent midday lunch try the cosy old Boomerang.

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Clarke & Pearson, sole agents for McClary's Famous Stores and Steel Ranges.

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Ramblers are noted for easy running qualities and rigidity of frame. Inspect them at Weiler Bros.' cycery.

Have you read fortunes in the bottom of your tea-cup? Drink Hondt and read what its leaves say—"Every leaf draws."

Weiler Bros. ship extensively to all Northern points. Those bound for Cape Nome and other goldfields had better call on them for information regarding supplies.

Held Until Monday.—In the provincial police court yesterday afternoon, the three men from the German bark Sita, arrested at Duncan for desertion, were ordered held in custody until Monday, when the ship is expected to sail.

Canadians Praised.—The Marquis of Dufferin and Ava, in a letter to Senator Macdonald, remarks: "I have just returned from England, where I found that the gallantry of the Canadian contingent in South Africa had made a great impression on the public mind. It will have created a wonderful bond of union between the two countries."

Just arrived, a consignment of new monuments, headstones and tablets, finished as only skill and experience can do it. Can have their order filled to their entire satisfaction at popular prices if placed with J. E. Phillips, 76 View st.

Flags For Schools.—School Trustee Brown, who is interesting himself in regard to flags for the public schools, has been notified by Mr. Richard Hall and Mr. A. E. McPhillips that they will be happy to present flags for that purpose. There are still two more required, and Mr. Brown will be glad to hear from any citizens so disposed.

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Everyone requires a spring tonic, and nothing will tonic you so quickly as Botanic Bitters—a large bottle. It will give you a good appetite, relieve that languid feeling, and make you feel that life is worth living. F. W. FAWCETT & CO., 49 Government St.

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31A GOVERNMENT STREET.

Patriotic Fund.—There has been collected at the city hall for the Canadian Patriotic Fund \$226.80. Of this amount \$219.80 has been previously acknowledged. The other subscribers are Capt. Christensen, \$5, and J. R. Giescome, \$2.

Chinaman Summoned.—At the instance of Sanitary Inspector Wilson, summonses were issued yesterday afternoon for a number of Chinamen, who are charged with infractions of the health by-law. The cases will be heard to-day.

An Exciting Movement.—A very lively dog fight, between canines both belonging to ladies, engaged the attention of a large crowd on Government street yesterday afternoon for fully a quarter of an hour. Mr. J. Dallin of the S. P. C. A. finally intervened.

Did Not Organize.—An attempt was made on Thursday evening to organize the mail clerks and letter carriers of this city into a union. It failed through the permanent clerks not wishing to be allied with the temporary clerks, and the clerks as a whole being opposed to a union which would include the letter carriers. An effort will now be made to organize a beneficiary society.

Contract Completed.—Messrs. George C. Hinton & Co., of the Hinton Electric Co., Ltd., as it is shortly to be, have just completed the installation at the royal naval yard, Esquimalt, of an immense hydraulic lift and hydraulic crane, each with a capacity of 4,000 lbs., the work having been in progress for some time past. The firm are again handling the Perfect cycles this season, but have added as an American line the peerless Sterling, "built like a watch."

Needs Attention.—Inasmuch as Premier Martin has given assurance that money can always be found (thanks to the elastic special warrant) for the maintenance of public thoroughfares, it would be well if he or someone else in brief authority would give attention to the needs of the Esquimalt road. This much-needed thoroughfare connecting the Capital with its naval suburb was never in worse condition than at present, although there was perhaps never so much traffic over it.

The Indian Reserve.—Victoria's representatives at Ottawa continue to prod the government in the matter of the removal of the Indians from the reserve at Victoria. In the House of Commons recently Col. Prior moved for "copies of all correspondence between this government and the provincial government of British Columbia, or their respective agents, in regard to the removal of the Indians from the Songhees Indian reserve, since the return on the same subject brought down to the house last session."

Victoria Illustrated.—Copies of the special Victoria edition of the Wave, a San Francisco publication, reached Victoria yesterday. There are numerous copies of the Wave, and Victoria and its members of the legislative assembly and the city council, together with a number of views of interesting bits to be caught by the camera showing Victoria's attractiveness. The copies purchased by the city have not yet arrived, but City Clerk Brown hopes to receive them by Monday next. The Wave's attention to Victoria should prove a good advertisement. A special article from the pen of J. Gordon Smith deals with the advantages and attractions of Victoria and the outlook for the Queen City of the Pacific Coast in the future.

Victoria Clearing House.—Since the establishment of the clearing house for the banks of this city on November 1, 1898, the total amount of the clearings, or in other words the total amount of checks on the different banks delivered daily at the clearing house, from the date of its inception up to the 31st December last, a period of fourteen months, reached a total in round figures of \$23,381,000, or a monthly average of \$2,441,000, and a daily average of (after allowing for Sundays and holidays) \$100,000. The city having the highest total clearings in the Dominion is Montreal with a total of \$794,000,000 for the year 1899, while the lowest for the same period is St. John, N. B., with a total of \$22,628,000. These interesting figures are from data supplied by Mr. F. C. Clapham, the secretary of the local clearing house.

A Ralston Table Promised.—The rise of the Ralston health food movement, which was at first set down by those who did not take the trouble to look into it as some sort of a crank attempt to put money into the pockets of the promoters, has taken fixed hold in Victoria, and although the Ralston campaign was only initiated about three years ago, the number of thinking women who are firm converts to the Ralston system in their own behalf and in behalf of their placing families, is already legion. The prevailing (and very erroneous) impression that Ralston dishes are unpalatable as well as healthfully plain has latterly been controverted by the presentation of a series of tempting dishes such as the much desired omelette, would appreciate, and it is partially to show how dishes, luncheons and teas can be got up in accordance with the Ralston tenets that the management of the Imperial hotel and restaurant—the "cosy little place at the corner"—have recently added a Ralston table to the attractions of that swayed and swinging dining place. This table is sure to be well patronized by the many ladies who drop into the Imperial of an afternoon, assured of the daintiness of service as well as privacy that makes perfection in a restaurant for ladies. This Ralston table will be served by a special cook, and is worthy of attention not only by the lovers of daintiness and of good living, but of students of intelligent health foods reform.

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THE POLICE COURT.

A Large Batch of Offenders Before Magistrate Hall Yesterday.

Yesterday was a very busy day in the police court, Magistrate Hall being confronted by a large number of offenders. The most important case dealt with was that of two bluejackets—John Boyland and J. E. Kelly—the former from the Leander and the latter from the Icarus, who assaulted Constable A. Wood when arresting them for overstaying their leave. The two men were found guilty by the constable and a sergeant of marines from Esquimalt, and when arrested struggled violently. John Donovan, a "longshoreman," put his nose in the row and was also arrested. During the melee the constable's coat was badly torn by Kelly. Boyland, on the charge of assaulting a constable in the execution of his duty, was sentenced to two months' imprisonment. John Donovan, for obstructing the constable, got a similar sentence. J. E. Kelly fared the same for assaulting the constable, and got an additional ten days for tearing the officer's coat.

Duncan McCallum, Robert Walls and Dennis Haggerty, for being drunk, paid the usual fines.

The case of Lawrence Mooney, who is charged with breaking into a Japanese lodging house, was remanded until this morning, it being found difficult to get an interpreter. Two indiscreet bicyclists who rode on the sidewalk paid the usual fines.

LINERS COME AND GO.

Unatilla Experiences Inspection Delay—Walla Walla Leaves for the Golden Gate.

After twelve hours delay necessitated by the new rules requiring daylight inspection at the William Head station, the San Francisco steamer Unatilla docked at the outer wharf yesterday morning, and delivered her twelve first-class and 74 second class passengers for Victoria, the latter being mostly Chinese who had come to California on the last Pacific Mail boat "in bond" as it were. The freight consignments totalled \$22 tons, and contained a goodly proportion of new season fruits and vegetables. It was after twelve midnight when the Walla Walla got away, bound for the Golden Gate, her shipments received here including two large lots of hides, while as passengers the Victoria office booked the following: W. Girard, G. E. Laughlin, G. A. Vickers, Mrs. C. Lewis, Mrs. Lawton, Mrs. Lapointe and C. Collins.

A USEFUL TIME CARD.

C. P. N. Company Present a Well Arranged Hanger for the Use of Business Men

One of the neatest time cards yet arranged by a British Columbia transportation company for the convenience of business men is the new hanger of the C. P. N. Co., for the month of April, and showing the sailings day by day on each route controlled by the company, consecutively, for the whole of the month. Of course the regular daily boat to Vancouver is not included in the itinerary, but the Northern, the Vancouver freight, the New Westminster, the West Coast, and the upper British Columbia boats are all dealt with, in such systematic order that the card becomes invaluable for ready reference. Every shipper in the province should have one, and keep it in the favored place on his desk. He will find it useful.

GOSSIP OF THE WATERFRONT.

Random Notes of an Idle Day Along the Wharves—The "Crescent" Goes Away.

Steamer Victorian will arrive at and leave from the outer wharf this morning. Sealing schooner Annie E. Point was spoken about the 1st instant by her sister sealer, the Aurora, with 371 skins.

Ship Crescent, which has been loading at the Chinamen's mills, got away yesterday, for Queensland, England, with 1,156,000 feet of lumber of a total value of \$12,100.

Steamer Willapa is loading cargo for West Coast points, for which she will leave on Sunday.

Steamer Tees is due from Skagway and Northern ports some time to-morrow evening.

PIANO RECITAL.

A Little Victoria Girl's First Public Appearance.

A piano recital was given at the Victoria Conservatory of Music on Thursday evening by Miss Marjorie Carne, who is only seven years of age, and while not in the "infant phenomenon" class, is a charming little player with an extensive repertoire. She bids fair to be an exceptionally fine performer. Miss Winifred Lugrin, who gave two songs, also made her debut as a vocalist. Her voice is a soprano of pure quality and full tone. She has only begun her lessons and will not sing much until she is older, but gives promise of a brilliant future. The following was the programme:

"Congratulations".....Behr
"Night Patrol".....Behr
"Minuet".....No. 1, No. 1, Carl Becker
"Cuckoo's Song".....Miss Marjorie Carne
Songs—
"Japanese Lullaby".....De Koven
"A Life Lesson".....Nevin
"Miss Winifred Lugrin."
"Italian Song".....Tschalkowsky
"Dreams of Youth," op. 229, No. 7, Satorio
"The Fair," op. 101, No. 8.....Gullitt
Miss Marjorie Carne.
Songs—
"Merry Springtime".....Rottel
"Lullaby".....Pease
Waltz
"In a Gondola," op. 157, No. 10, Carl Heins
"Curious Story," op. 369, No. 3.....Heller
"The Wanderer," op. 369, No. 3.....Heller
Miss Marjorie Carne.
Song—"The Fairies".....Dolores
Mrs. Adney.
National Anthem.

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150 Acres of First-Class Arable Land in North Saanich

The rent of this property can be a percentage of the crop obtained.

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Try STERLING TEA. Simply Superior.

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THE GOLF CLUB.

Monthly Competition to Take Place This Afternoon and Monday.

The men's monthly competition of the Victoria golf club will be played this afternoon and will be "Match Play" against "Bogey" and the ladies' monthly competition will be played on Monday, and will be medal play, 14 holes.

This is Red Letter Day at the Dominion Trading Stamp Co's showrooms. Visitors will be treated to a musical entertainment in the afternoon.

The Bridge Suits.—There was a private conference between the mayor and board of aldermen at a special meeting called for last evening, on the question of the Point Ellice bridge accident claims, the object being to arrive, if possible, at some basis of settlement for the different claims. The meeting was a private one, the reporters being excluded.

Anniversary Sermons.—In the Chinese Methodist Missionary church last evening anniversary services were held. There was a large attendance and a most enjoyable evening was spent. Rev. J. P. E. Knox occupied the chair and he and Revs. Glover, Pagano and Winchester delivered addresses. A musical programme and recitations were rendered by the Chinese members. The reports of the secretary, treasurer and superintendent were most satisfactory. Rev. C. M. Tate pronounced the benediction.

A Hunting Accident.—The shooting accident on a sealing schooner on the West Coast, briefly alluded to in the local columns of the Colonist yesterday morning, turns out, from later information, to be one which resulted in the wound of Fred Harris, a boat steerer on the schooner Aurora. Harris, while out duck hunting with some companions, attempted to pick up his gun quickly from the boat, and the trigger catching, the contents were discharged in his right leg, necessitating his coming to Victoria. Harris is now being treated at the Jubilee hospital. The Aurora is at San Juan awaiting the arrival of more men to add to the crew. She will extend her cruise to the Copper Islands.

Now ready 50,000 Native Sens Cigars clear Havana filled \$70.00 per m.

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PATENT REPORT.

According to an extract from the United States Patent Office Gazette for the week ending March 20, 1900, handed to the Colonist by Messrs. Trethewey & Britain, 383 patents have been granted to citizens of that country. Austria-Hungary 1, Canada 7, Great Britain 9, Mexico 1, South African Republic 1, and Switzerland 1. One hundred and thirty-two of the above were assigned to manufacturing firms and others before the grants were made. Two British Columbian secured a patent that week—James M. K. Letson and Frank W. Burpee, for a fish-cutting machine. According to the Canadian Patent Office Record for the month ending January 20, 1900, 450 patents were granted during that period, of which number two were to British Columbian—G. H. Hardie and N. Thompson, Vancouver, patented a sectional boiler, and J. C. Beaumont, Shopland, a glove.

KIT OF AN ENGLISH MOUNTED OFFICER.

A mounted officer knows exactly what he may carry. In his pockets or haversack or slung on a belt he is restricted to a whistle, compass, notebook, water bottle, clasp knife, besides sword, pistol and ammunition. On his horse, a field cap, towel and brush, a spare shoe case with nails, nose-bag, pickering ropes and pegs, cloak, mess tin, field glass, and a pair of wallets an emergency ration, tin of vasoline, under-linen (not exceeding two pounds), knife, fork, spoon, comb, toothbrush, and a box of matches.

All these articles must not, with saddle and bridle, exceed seventy-one and a half pounds in weight. Carried in the regimental transport each mounted officer is restricted to thirty-five pounds of baggage, which must be packed in bed valise, and includes change of clothing and linen, boots and putties, canvas shoes and bucket, lantern, writing portfolio, camp kettle, two plates, and pepper and salt pots—Newcastle (England) Chronicle.

Go to drill hall concert to-night.

The Spring Millinery Opening at the COLUMBIA HOUSE will be held on

TUESDAY, MARCH 20th

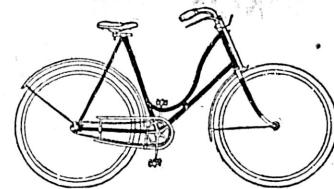
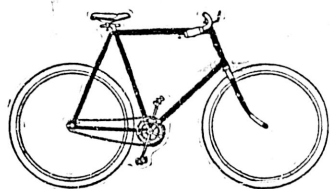
And Following Days.

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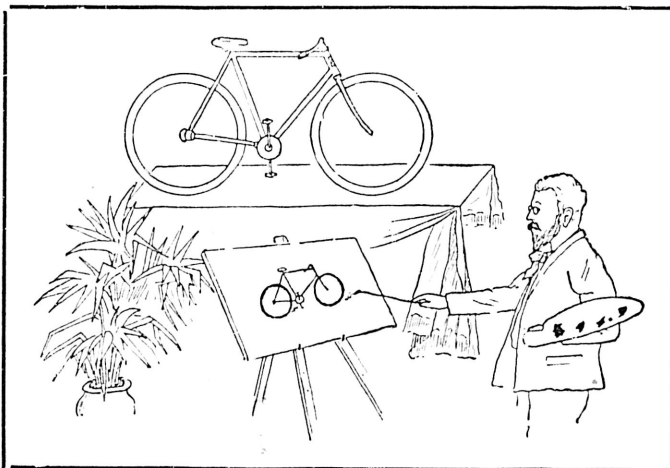
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"Perfect" \$60

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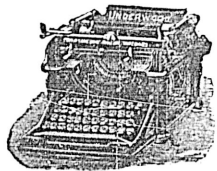


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PROVINCIAL

GREENWOOD.

Greenwood, March 30.—The Rossland and Nicola B. C. Syndicate will tomorrow take up the \$70,000 bond on the Snowshoe mine in Greenwood camp. The property was bonded a year ago this month by Thos. McPherson, Robt. Wood, and Robt. Denison of this city. Two payments have been made and the third due to-morrow, of \$37,000, is in the bank here.

Hon. Smith Curtis, minister of mines, spent the past few days here and addressed a largely attended meeting of the Liberal association.

GRAND FORKS.

Grand Forks, March 29.—R. C. McCurcheon and W. F. Askeew, of the Grand Forks sash and door factory, are getting out one million feet of cedar and spruce from their limits, Lime Creek, north fork of the Kettle river.

The provincial authorities are enforcing a strict quarantine on the boundary line at Central camp.

Ore is being stopped out of the 70 and 100-foot levels of the City of Paris mine. In Central camp. In the tunnel, at a depth of 800 feet, the ledge is expected to be encountered within the next twenty feet.

The ore, according to assays made at the Grand Forks smelter, averages \$40 per ton. Development is also being pushed on the Lexington, owned by the Majestic Gold Mining Co., in which J. P. Graves is heavily interested. Upwards of 675 feet of tunneling and drifting has been done.

A ledge of almost pure limestone nearly one hundred feet wide was recently discovered on John A. Mandy's property about one and a half miles from this city. A lime kiln will be started at once in view of this season's extensive operations. But the find is regarded of greater importance from the fact that the limestone will furnish an inexhaustible supply to local smelters.

The fluxing purposes of the sloping bench where the rock occurs forms an ideal smelter site. There is sufficient water in Morrissey creek to carry off the slag, and ample room for dumping grounds.

The work of sinking in ore on the Brimstone, near Nelson, B.C., recently acquired by a Spokane company, will be resumed in a few days. A tunnel is being run to catch the lead at a depth of 250 feet. The vein at a depth of 40 feet had been cut by another tunnel. The Brimstone adjoins the Comstock, and is a tellurium proposition, carrying high values.

A pump and hoist have just been installed on the Athelstone, in Wellington camp. Two shafts on the claim are sixty and one hundred feet deep respectively.

Seventeen men are employed on the Snowshoe driving a tunnel underneath the C. P. R. spur. The incline shaft is now down three hundred feet.

In the Gold Drop the work of making an upraise two hundred feet to the surface is in progress. The force comprises twenty men. The compressor is working satisfactorily.

The crosscut from the 100-foot level of the Hartford, in Wellington camp, has been extended eleven feet during the last week. It encountered a ledge three and one-half feet wide, and another lead which shows on the surface is expected to be secured within the next ten feet.

The main tunnel in the Rawhide is now in five hundred feet. A ledge was cut at a point four hundred and sixty feet from the surface.

The wooden superstructure of the dam across the Kettle river now being built for the Grand Forks smelter, is being constructed. Over one million feet of heavy timbers will be utilized.

Palpitation of the heart, nervousness, tremblings, nervous headache, cold hands and feet, pain in the back, and other forms of weakness are relieved by Carter's Iron Pills, made specially for the blood, nerves and complexion.

AN ARCTIC INCIDENT.

Return of Undelivered Letters Nearly Twenty Years Old.

One of the interesting minor incidents with which all Arctic experience is strewn, closed the other day by the return of Mrs. Emma De Long, widow of Commander George W. De Long, to the sisters of the late Lieutenant C. W. Chipp and to the mother and sister of the late Lieutenant John W. Danenhower, all of the ill-fated Jeannette, of letters, with unbroken seals, written to these officers almost twenty years ago. When the Lady Franklin Bay expedition left for the north in 1881 the letters were entrusted to its commander in the vague hope that possibly the two parties might somewhere, somehow and at some time meet.

The Jeannette, as is well known, sank, crushed, at the end of two years' drift in the Arctic. De Long, with nearly all his party, perished on reaching the mainland; Chipp's boat drifted into the unknown and was never seen or heard of more, while Danenhower, in Admiral Melville's boat, reached home with health seriously impaired, and later died at Washington. The undelivered letters lay eighteen years in abandoned Fort Conger, and last summer Lieut. Engineer Perry brought them with other records back to civilization and ultimately to their authors, by whom they will be treasured as precious mementoes of those who never read their messages of affection.—Brooklyn Standard Union.

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WHAT IT COST.

Over \$34,000 Expended on the Quebec-Washington Commission.

The following amounts were paid, as shown in the Auditor-General's report up to July 1, 1899, in connection with the Quebec-Washington Commission:

PERSONAL EXPENSES.

High commissioners—
Sir Wilfrid Laurier \$ 3,821.39
Sir Richard Cartwright 3,361.68
Sir Louis Davies 2,630.91
John Charlton 1,769.48
Hon. W. S. Fielding 200.00

Staff and Assistants—

H. Bourassa, secretary 2,200.00
W. G. Parnelle 911.28
Joseph Pope 1,852.15
W. F. King 1,345.25
R. N. Vennart 1,130.00
F. Gourdeau 37.25

R. Boudreau, private secretary

of Premier 807.63

S. Leclerc, assistant secretary

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A sudden chill often means sudden ill-

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ward it off. Unequalled for cramps and

diarrhoea. Avoid substitutes. There is but

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SOCKS IN POLITICS.

How They Figured in a Congressional Campaign in Georgia.

"Judge Emory Speer, as every one knows, has a remarkable gift of repartee," said a former resident of Georgia, "and in his early campaigning days he frequently impressed that fact upon his opponents on the stump. Years ago, when he was running away from Col. Blount for congress, the two candidates made a tour of the district, and engaged in a series of joint debates. As the story goes, they drew immense crowds of horny-handed South Georgia farmers at a certain country settlement, and Blount, not without reason, and with a homely attire, attempted to score a point against his opponent by depicting him as a haughty aristocrat. 'You might suppose that he was a plain, every-day kind of a man from the way he looks now,' he said, 'but you ought to see him when he gets to Washington. He's a regular duke, and if one of you happened to meet him on Pennsylvania avenue, he'd think of jumping over the moon.'

"While Blount was haranguing the crowd in that strain Speer came to notice that Blount had on a pair of white socks, and when it came his own turn to speak he began somewhat like this: 'My friends: I am greatly surprised that Mr. Blount should have the audacity to refer to me as an aristocrat, especially in view of a little incident which occurred only yesterday in the town of Macon. We were standing in conversation on the street corner, arranging for this very trip, when a good old country woman approached and endeavored to sell us some socks. They were old-fashioned, plain, honest, blue yarn socks, gentlemen, the same kind our mothers used to knit, and when she drew out a pair from her basket our friend, Col. Blount, gave them one contemptuous glance, turned up his nose, and walked away. I don't know, of course, but I would wager that he has on a pair of fine, city-made white socks at this very moment. As for me, when he terms an aristocrat, I bought the homely socks he professed to scorn, and—here he pulled up his trousers—'I have 'em on right now! Colonel, let's see your socks!' Needless to say, Blount collapsed, and that township returned an overwhelming majority for Speer."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

IT IS A MISTAKE

To suppose that the kidneys alone are responsible for all the aches, pains, aching backs, backache as well as pain under the left shoulder blade frequently comes from the liver or complications of liver and kidneys which can only be cured by using the great double treatment—Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills. One pill a dose, 25 cents a box.

QUEER AMMUNITION.

From London Tit-Bits

It was rather amusing reading the other day to find that the gallant garrison of Mafeking had rigged up an old ship's gun and were peering away at the Boers with the cannon balls of a past generation. Although these were regarded as terribly destructive ammunition in our forefathers' days, yet in this age of shrapnel and lyddite to see one of these antiquated balls ricocheting along is almost enough to provoke a smile.

Speaking of such balls reminds us of the strait a garrison were put to last century in order to provide this kind of ammunition for their big guns. It was in 1733 that the necessity arose, and the requisite material was obtained by opening the grave of the famous Foulton, at one time Archbishop of Cambray, who was buried in 1715, and using the lead of his coffin to make the balls. The body was reinterred in 1801.

It has frequently happened during the excitement of battle that when the ammunition has run short individual soldiers have used buttons and even articles of personal adornment in order to keep up a fire on the enemy, and sometimes such makeshifts have been responsible for very ugly wounds. The strangest, surely, of such bullets were those used by a Portuguese soldier when they were overrunning the New World, and when they were surrounded by a large number of Indians. He actually knocked out several of his teeth and hid them in his armpits, the way in then in use, and hurled them at the enemy.

When the Danes attacked Chester in the early days they were met by a novelty in the shape of ammunition, for the Saxons collected all the bee hives in the town and threw them upon the invaders. These novel "bullets" had the desired effect, for they caused so much swelling of the arms and legs that the Danes were glad to get out of the way.

On a more recent occasion bees also attacked soldiers, although they did not do it at the instigation of the enemy. During one of the expeditions made by Lord Roberts to Afghanistan, the Highlanders, who accompanied him, found that no matter how picturesque their national dress may be, it has its drawbacks when bees are about. It appears that an officer of the Lancashire unthinkingly thrust his lance into a bee hive, and, thus attacked, the bees soon put themselves in fighting array, and responded in such a way that the soldiers fled in all directions, and left the busy little insects masters of the situation. This rout of the British army would no doubt be credited with a large number of "wounded."

If you want a healthy drink try Jesse Moore "AA" whiskey.

THE DECLINE OF CHURCH ATTENDANCE.

THE WEATHER.

Meteorological Office,
Victoria, March 30.—8 p.m.
SYNOPSIS.

The barometer is falling west of the mountains is advance of an ocean low area approaching the Oregon coast. This disturbance may cause scattered showers over the Pacific Slope. The weather remains fine and mild between the ranges and throughout the Canadian Territories.

TEMPERATURES.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	46	56
New Westminster	44	50
Kamloops	30	40
Barkerville	20	48
Winnipeg	24	56
Portland, Ore.	10	46
San Francisco	44	66
San Francisco	50	70

FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a.m. (Pacific time), Saturday:
Victoria and Vicinity—Moderate winds, chiefly easterly; partly cloudy, and mild. Lower Mainland—Partly cloudy and mild, with occasional showers.

VICTORIA DAILY RECORD.

Report for 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Observations taken daily at 5 a.m., noon and 5 p.m.

Deg.	Mean.	Deg.
5 a.m.	46	51
Noon	52	56
5 p.m.	55	56

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:

5 a.m.	Calm.
Noon	8 miles east.
5 p.m.	4 miles northeast.

Average state of weather: Cloudy.
Sunshine—6 hours 6 minutes.
Barometer at noon—Observed, 30.131.
Corrected, 30.146.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

Barometer at 5 p.m.—Corrected, 30.08.

PASSENGERS.

By steamer Victorian from the Sound:

P. A. Cleland,	J. C. Morrison,
M. Burnstein,	G. C. Graham,
C. W. Buck,	Capt. Gutter,
P. H. Whitworth,	Jas. Dunsmuir,
M. W. Boyd,	Mrs. Dunsmuir,
Miss Foster,	J. H. Doyle,
J. H. Rickaby,	T. Corry,
Mrs. West,	H. McCann,
L. V. Druce,	Mrs. Chan,
E. Landle,	Miss Chan,
Mrs. Landle,	H. Chan,
Mrs. Porter,	A. McCutchen,
J. H. Smith,	J. Woodman,
Mrs. Smith,	

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A. W. Renssion,	Mrs. McKenzle,
W. E. Drake,	Miss McKenzle,
S. R. Calvin,	Mrs. Conroy,
J. Lamb,	Miss M. Walton,
H. H. Cline,	J. Thomas,
O. A. Giles,	J. S. Crowder,

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Mrs. T. L. Briggs,	J. Brown,
R. Jamieson,	Gordon Hunter,
J. Dick,	Mr. Hunter,
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R. H. Jamieson,	Mrs. Cameron,
J. F. Collison,	Mrs. H. B. Findlay,
—, Watson,	Rev. J. P. Hleeks,
H. N. Hankey,	G. Cotton,
—, McKenzle,	G. R. Hunter,
Miss Ella Pells,	Miss Pells,
Richardson,	Wm. Henderson,
Mrs. J. H. White,	Capt. Fisher,
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Mrs. Hicks,	A. Dadds,
L. Martin,	W. A. Greig,
J. J. Russell,	

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TYPE OF THE PREVAILING GRIP

From the New York Herald.

Although grip prevailed in mild form during the late autumn months, it has now taken on an unmistakably virulent type in the extent and character of its new invasion. During the last fortnight thousands who have escaped heretofore have been stricken, and the disease is plainly epidemic over a very wide section of the country.

The type of the disease is essentially catarrhal and chiefly manifests itself in inflammatory affections of the membranes of the nose, throat and upper air passages. The attack is quite sudden and there is generally a high temperature, with pain in the forehead, hacking and irritative cough, with general muscular pains and prostration.

It is the attention to little things—the avoidance of draughts, the cultivation of habits of temperance in eating and drinking, the obedience to all hygienic rules—which can make any person reasonably safe.

Dr. Humphreys' Specific "Seventy-seven" meets the exigency of the prevailing epidemic. "77" restores the checked circulation (indicated by a sudden chill), the first sign of taking cold; starts the blood coursing through the veins, and so "breaks up" the cold. Manual of all diseases, especially about children, sent free.

For sale by all druggists, or sent on receipt of price, 25c. and \$1. Humphreys' Homeopathic Medicine Co., corner William and John streets, New York.

Hunting for

Cabinet Timber.

Provincial Portfolios Continue to Be Peddled Through the Constituencies.

But the Offers Still Are Unanimously Declined—More Candidates.

Although Premier Martin on several occasions when interviewed has said that only a few men have been asked to enter his cabinet, he of course meant that only a limited number have been directly asked by him, and has not counted the innumerable men who have been "sounded" by his friends. In almost every constituency there are half a dozen who have had indirect offers to join the government and have declined them. Liberals were preferred, but Mr. Martin has not hesitated to go outside his party in his search for cabinet material. Indeed, the most surprising offer was that alleged to have been made to Mr. A. Stewart Potts, formerly of this city, one of the officers of the Liberal-Conservative Association and who has all along opposed Mr. Martin. Mr. Potts has not denied or confirmed the report, and it is believed to be founded on fact. Of the offer the Nelson Miner says:

"Will Mr. Stewart Potts speak up? The Rossland Record persists in the statement that he was offered a portfolio in the Martin government, declaring that the offer came by word and that the despatch was shown to several persons in Rossland. Mr. Smith-Curtis, through the Miner of that city, says that no such offer was made. It is not a matter of crying importance, but a word from Mr. Potts at the present time would be interesting."

In Chilliwack Mr. Munro, the present member, and Mr. Vedder, who ran on one occasion as a supporter of the Turner government, have both been approached, and declined, and in fact few men who have been in any way connected with public affairs and were at all likely to join the government, have not had an opportunity to become ministers of the crown.

The crop of candidates, too, is growing. Yesterday the list for Island constituencies was increased by two, Mr. C. H. Dickie announcing himself as a candidate in Cowichan, and Mr. W. G. Eden in Esquimalt. Both are opposed to the government. Mr. Dickie, formerly proprietor of the Duncan hotel and now engaged in the logging business, has besides heavy interests in the Island mines, being one of the first to draw attention to the richness of the Mount Sicker district. Mr. Eden, a former member of the House of Commons, is a well-known figure in the Island. Mr. Dickie says: "Should I be elected I will support, endeavor to introduce, or have introduced any legislation I may consider beneficial to my constituents and the province at large, and I will be pleased to accord my support to any party which will support this province and advancement of this province as their aim, and who will conduct the business of this country in a broad, statesmanlike manner. While agreeing with a number of the 'planks' of the platform of the Hon. Joseph Martin, I could not support any party of which he was leader, and I believe it to be for the best interests of British Columbia that he be retired to private life."

Mr. Eden in a letter to the editor of the Colonist says:

"Sir, I have been requested by a number of the electors of Esquimalt District to offer myself as a candidate at the coming election. After due consideration I have decided to run in the interest of labor and the development of the province, which I have hearty support. I am strongly opposed to one-man government and the dictatorship of the Hon. Joseph Martin. I am prepared to stand by the party that was defeated—so-called—at the last election, but not disgraced, and to bring back to the province security and confidence, which we are losing every day. I will endeavor to explain myself later by getting in touch with the people and to understand their wants, so that we can have a party of the people, for the people and by the people."

Mr. A. C. Wells, of Chilliwack, one of the oldest residents in that section of the country, has been in Victoria the past few days, the guest of Mr. Chris. Spencer. Mr. Wells, questioned by the Colonist as to the feeling in Chilliwack and the surrounding country on the political situation, said the people there were overwhelmingly opposed to one-man government. Mr. Martin, though there was much division of sentiment on the question of party lines. Personally he is of the opinion that a division on party lines will be the ultimate result of the middle. Mr. Martin is said to be operating in this constituency. Messrs. Vedder and Munro are both reported to have been approached with offers of seats in Mr. Martin's cabinet, the sitting member for Chilliwack, will probably be a candidate again. Mr. Wells has no intention of running. He leaves for home this morning.

The Premier is still on the Mainland. Mr. Curtis is in Kootenay and Mr. Beebe at Agassiz, so Mr. Yates is managing the affairs of the country.

LEPROSY IN TURKEY.

In the beautifully illustrated work, Les Lepreux Ambulants de Constantinople, by Zambaco Pasha, which has recently been published by Masson et Cie. of Paris, the somewhat startling statement is made that there are more than 400 lepers going about the streets of Constantinople playing all kinds of trades, and freely admitted into shops and households. Amongst these lepers some come from the provinces of the Ottoman Empire where leprosy is endemic; others are descendants of Spanish Jews, whose progenitors have lived in the Turkish capital since they were expelled from Spain in the thirteenth century, and descended from the Hebrews of Exodius, who took refuge in Iberia after the Babylonian captivity in the year 536 before the Christian era, and particularly at the time of the conquest of Jerusalem by the Romans. Zambaco Pasha, who is an ardent nationalist, affirms that in spite of the unrestricted intercourse of lepers with the rest of the population, there is no case on record of the transmission of the disease to any of the other inhabitants of Constantinople.

If you are nervous, dyspeptic, irritable, or have a little Nerve Pills. Dyspepsia makes you nervous, and nervousness makes you dyspeptic; either one renders you miserable, and these little pills cure both.

Letters to The Editor

CROW'S NEST COAL LANDS.

Sir: I am glad to notice in your editorial criticizing my speech that you are prepared now to discuss the enormous iniquity of the late Semlin government in giving away the immense coal heritage in the Rocky Mountains.

I beg to point out, however, that you are in error in supposing that the law providing for a royalty on coal applies to this land grant. The statute to which you refer is section 83 of chapter 113 of the Revised Statutes of British Columbia, which reads as follows: "S3. There is reserved to and for the use of Her Majesty, her heirs and successors, a royalty of five cents upon and in respect of each and every ton of merchantable coal raised or gotten from any lands acquired under the provisions of this act; and in any crown grant to be issued in pursuance of this act there shall be contained a reservation of the said royalty: Provided that no royalty be reserved on shares or fine sand." You will notice that this section only applies to lands acquired under the provisions of said chapter 113. The lands which have been transferred to the British Columbia Southern Railway Co. were not acquired by them under the provisions of said chapter 113, but under the provisions of various subsidy acts passed from time to time in which there is no reservation of a royalty.

JOSEPH MARTIN.
Vancouver, March 29.

HOW TO OBTAIN GOOD GOVERNMENT.

Sir: "I never could understand what protection or free trade had to do with the question of governing a province like British Columbia."

As a reason for opposing the introduction of party lines into the government, the above is assigned by Mr. Beaven as one of the causes for objecting to the Liberal-Conservative party undertaking the defeat of Mr. Martin. I have observed that, in addition to these, Liberals who fear a Conservative victory more than they dread Martin, the chief opponents to action being taken by the Liberal-Conservatives are those who never could exactly be located in Dominion politics and amongst whom without wishing to do Mr. Beaven any injustice, and subject to correction, I must place him, gentlemen who seemingly enjoy being on the fence and fear that should party lines be drawn by Liberals and Conservatives in provincial affairs they must drop off on one side or the other.

I give Mr. Beaven credit for having more sense than to suppose that it was ever proposed that any federal issue should be introduced into a provincial election campaign. In any case Mr. Beaven must have forgotten that the issue of free trade was raised by the Liberal-Conservative party, and that the Liberal-Conservative party, in the character of the Gascon, the Hamilton and Grundy versions were introduced. Harry Glazier, the young romantic actor who appears here Monday, has also a new arrangement of a stirring drama, the work of Edmund Dumas. This will give added interest to Mr. Glazier's production, especially as he claims that his version is equal, if not superior, to any of the others. In the character of Richelieu, Mr. Glazier has made a wide departure from the tradition; he has instructed that the Cardinal be made up and played as Dumas described him: "A man of middle height, of a laughing, proud mien, and piercing eyes, a large brow and a thin face, which was made still longer by an imperial, surmounted by a crown of feathers. Although this man was scarce thirty-six years of age, his hair, mustaches and imperial all began to be gray."

The Richelieu of "The Three Musketeers" has so far been made a man of at least, sixty years of age.

The time has now arrived when the owner of the Victoria theatre should give serious attention to the stage, and such general improvement of the house as will make it comparable with at least the average of second-class theatres on the coast.

At the present time one-third of the travelling companies find it impossible to present their plays in their completeness of setting any detail on the Victoria stage. "The Sporting Duchess," for example (like "Cleopatra") had to be so slashed and trimmed to meet stage deficiencies as to be an entirely different play to that presented to Vancouverites. Such things are not agreeable to Victorians, who are good patrons of the stage, and it would perhaps be business policy on the part of the Victoria theatre ownership to endeavor to overcome them.

The amateurs who are taking part in the production of the Bridal Trap had a rehearsal this week. This opera was written by Andran, the author of the Mascot and Olivette. It is full of tune, catchy music and while not as heavy as Robin Hood, it has a popular appeal. Mr. Kent has gathered about him an exceptionally strong chorus, while the cast includes such old favorites as Mr. Moxon, Mr. Rhodes, Mr. Allan, Major Munro, etc. The ladies' parts are not yet announced definitely, but it is whispered that the leading lady will be an exceptionally pretty soprano who has been seen to advantage in amateur opera in England. Mr. Kent, who is always a favorite on the boards, will play the leading roll. This is not the first time he has given his leading man a scope than previous parts. The stage manager is in the capable hands of Mrs. H. Kent, who scored such a success in Robin Hood.

Another convention should be called, when any difference of opinion as to platform and leadership can then and there be settled without the aid of advice from outsiders, preparations made to present a vigorous campaign against the Martin government, and steps taken to have the shows of war provided with which to carry it on to a successful conclusion. Let all lovers of "good government" therefore fall into the Liberal-Conservative ranks, which in no case representatives from all classes in the community, and aim at obtaining equal rights for all.

F. S. BARNARD.
30th March, 1900.

He's an absent-minded beggar,
And 'e's gone off to the fairs,
And 'e's 'art is true to the fairs,
But there's 'eaps of consolation
For the one 'e's left behind,
For they know 'is canteen's stocked with
'Jesse Moore'."

JAPAN'S DEVELOPMENT.

Japan to-day has 2,500 miles of railway, 11,720 miles of land telegraphs, 387 of submarine, and 1,174 telegraph offices. Telephonic communication is supplied profusely in the cities, and in the common use of electric light the country is declared to be ahead of England, while the light electric railways are penetrating the mountain regions.—New York Evening Post.

AN EXCEPTIONAL CASE.

"Isn't Jonbert vice-president of the Transvaal republic?"
"Yes; and he has shown that it is possible for a vice-president to keep his name before the public."—Puck.

Gossip of

The Greenroom

Revival of the Romantic Drama by Harry Glazier—A Dumas Production.

Amateur Opera Preparations—Theatrical Gossip—Improvement Needed.

After the procession of modern studies in impulse and passion which are classed as examples of the Sardon school and the development of stage equipment and stage art—after the long review, too, of so-called up-to-date comedy that is little more than farce punctuated with vaudeville intrusions, lovers of the good old drama will breathe sighs of relief and go forth together on Monday evening, when Harry Glazier (the actor now engaged in the making of his fame) dashes into the entertainment arena with a revival of the drama as it used to be. His play is not an introspective study; it is a story of love and variety in grotesque conglomeration, it is a play of the old school, a play of leathery jackets and ready blades, with the vigor and quick movement of the days of romance and chivalry when friends were made and enemies disposed of in the coming and uncoming of a day—a play of love and unconcealed passion, which the swash-buckler's first friend, and quarrels were adjusted soon as born by personal feats of arms. Everyone knows the play. It is "The Three Musketeers" slightly varied in the telling, and re-christened "The Three Musketeers"—but virtually the same thing. It is a combination of the splendid dramatic strength of Dumas, that the late Salvini last gave it here, with the attention to accuracy and elegance of costume and setting that is characteristic of the later dramatic period.

The first revival of Dumas' famous story, the memory of the present-day generation of theatre-goers was that of the late Frank Mayo. Mr. Mayo discarded the old stage version and gave to the public a revised, improved and wonderfully dramatic adaptation of D'Artagnan's adventures. When the lamented Alexander Salvini added the play to his repertoire, he carried with him the Fletcher version, and with the advent of E. H. Sothern and James O'Neill in the character of the Gascon, the Hamilton and Grundy versions were introduced. Harry Glazier, the young romantic actor who appears here Monday, has also a new arrangement of a stirring drama, the work of Edmund Dumas. This will give added interest to Mr. Glazier's production, especially as he claims that his version is equal, if not superior, to any of the others. In the character of Richelieu, Mr. Glazier has made a wide departure from the tradition; he has instructed that the Cardinal be made up and played as Dumas described him: "A man of middle height, of a laughing, proud mien, and piercing eyes, a large brow and a thin face, which was made still longer by an imperial, surmounted by a crown of feathers. Although this man was scarce thirty-six years of age, his hair, mustaches and imperial all began to be gray."

The Richelieu of "The Three Musketeers" has so far been made a man of at least, sixty years of age.

The time has now arrived when the owner of the Victoria theatre should give serious attention to the stage, and such general improvement of the house as will make it comparable with at least the average of second-class theatres on the coast.

At the present time one-third of the travelling companies find it impossible to present their plays in their completeness of setting any detail on the Victoria stage. "The Sporting Duchess," for example (like "Cleopatra") had to be so slashed and trimmed to meet stage deficiencies as to be an entirely different play to that presented to Vancouverites. Such things are not agreeable to Victorians, who are good patrons of the stage, and it would perhaps be business policy on the part of the Victoria theatre ownership to endeavor to overcome them.

The amateurs who are taking part in the production of the Bridal Trap had a rehearsal this week. This opera was written by Andran, the author of the Mascot and Olivette. It is full of tune, catchy music and while not as heavy as Robin Hood, it has a popular appeal. Mr. Kent has gathered about him an exceptionally strong chorus, while the cast includes such old favorites as Mr. Moxon, Mr. Rhodes, Mr. Allan, Major Munro, etc. The ladies' parts are not yet announced definitely, but it is whispered that the leading lady will be an exceptionally pretty soprano who has been seen to advantage in amateur opera in England. Mr. Kent, who is always a favorite on the boards, will play the leading roll. This is not the first time he has given his leading man a scope than previous parts. The stage manager is in the capable hands of Mrs. H. Kent, who scored such a success in Robin Hood.

Roland Reed, now fairly on the high road to recovery from his recent serious illness, which it was at first feared would prove fatal, has decided not to appear again this season, but open his new season in September at the Boston Museum, in a play that has been specially written for him, and is therefore eminently well adapted to his style. Miss Isidore Rush remains his leading lady.

The Waterman sisters, who are at the head of the list of lady singers giving

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special attention to the singing of coon songs well, have cancelled all engagements for six weeks ahead, one member of the partnership having been compelled to retire in order to receive hospital attention in this city.

Mohring brothers, described as "cyclonic acrobats," from the San Francisco Orpheum circuit, are to be the star feature of the vaudeville bill at the Savoy next week. Miss Camella, a high-class lady comedian, is also on the new bill, while Kate Rockwell plays a return and all of this week's attractions with the exception of Bunkerr, the impersonator, remain.

Music lovers of Victoria are eagerly awaiting the appearance here of the lion of the piano, Paderewski. He is said by the newspapers to be playing with more apparent genius this season than ever before.

The private car "Lottie," used by the Black Patti Company, was destroyed with all its contents, by fire, at Springfield, Ill., last week. The members of the company barely escaped with their lives, in night apparel.

Harry Corson Clarke, who made many friends here as Jones, in "What Happened to Jones" (first edition), is making his introductory tour of the East, and more firmly establishing himself as one of the coming great comedians of the continent.

William Gillette, the author-actor, will bring "Sherlock Holmes" west next season, while another company presents his preceding drama, "Secret Service."

Lady John Scott Spotswood, composer of "Annie Laurie," died last week in London, at the age of 91.

Tim Murphy is scoring the hit of his already successful life in "The Carpet-Bagger."

Rose Coghlan in "The Great Ruby" is to give that piece a Western introduction.

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CONTRACT WORK ACCEPTED.

Miners Discuss With the Rossland Managers Details of Proposed Friendly Arrangement.

From the Rossland Miner.

A conference was held in the office of the British America Corporation yesterday afternoon for the purpose of considering the matter of contract work in the mines, which it is thought will bear good fruit. Bernard Macdonald, the general manager, and Hon. T. Mayne Daly, solicitor, represented the British America Corporation; Mr. E. B. Kerby, general manager, and Messrs. A. C. Galt and T. P. Galt, represented the War Eagle and the Centre Star mining companies. Mr. James Devine, secretary and Mr. Chris Foley represented the Miners' union. Mr. Ralph Smith, M. P. P., Hon. Smith Curtis, minister of mines, and Mr. C. Clute, Dominion labor commissioner, were present as mediators. The conference was in session for two and a half hours, and was most amiable from beginning to end, and by the time that it was ended each side thoroughly understood his position in the matter. Certain objections were stated on behalf of the union as to the contract system, like the following, and were answered fully and satisfactorily by the mine owners' representatives. It had been claimed that where five feet holes were drilled and the men employed to blast only blasted out three feet, that those who drilled the holes would only be paid for the three feet. The reply was that they would be paid for the full five feet drilled. These and other points were explained in a manner satisfactory to those who acted on behalf of the union men. The representatives of the miners outlined a plan under which the men would be willing to resume work, and to-day the mine owners will submit a proposition in writing covering the points gone over, and which will be in accord with the matters under conference yesterday. This will be submitted to the executive committee of the Miners' union, and after it has been carefully considered by that body, provided they think it does not need amending, it will be submitted to a mass meeting of the union for ratification.

The characteristic feature of the conference was the give and take conciliatory spirit which was manifested by both sides, and the opinion prevails among the majority of those who took part in it that an agreement which will finally be arrived at. A decision should be arrived at within the next three days at the furthest.

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A Ventriquist That Makes Enough Noise For a Dozen Birds.

